

[18th October 1927]

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to question No. 520 asked by Mr. J. A. Saldanha at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 18th October 1927, page 25 supra.]

Head of account under which the reduction was made by the Council.	Amount.	Remarks.
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5. a. LAND REVENUE — Charges for Administration—i. Subdivisional establishments—Pay of officers—Voted.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. The Government are not aware of any question affecting non-gazetted officers that remains for a committee to investigate.
5. a. LAND REVENUE — Charges for Administration — ii. Taluk establishments — Pay of establishments — Voted — Permanent.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. As regards representation in Government service of the different communities, the matter is under the consideration of the Government in connexion with the framing of rules under the Civil Services (Governors' Provinces) Delegation Rules. As regards Revenue Inspectors as explained by the hon. the Revenue Member at the time, there is no special class of officers called Revenue Inspectors. Any qualified clerk may be posted as a Revenue Inspector. The question therefore resolves itself into one of the number of persons belonging to the depressed classes in Government service. This is part of the larger question first referred to.
5. b. LAND REVENUE — Survey and Settlement — Total — Voted.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. As explained by the hon. the Revenue Member at the time, it is not open to the Local Government to bring in a Revenue Settlement Bill giving the power to Legislative Councils to fix the rates of land assessment.
6. a. EXCISE — Superintendence—Excise Commissioner — Total — Voted.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. No decision has yet been made on the question of the introduction of total prohibition.
7. A. a. STAMPS — Non-judicial — Charges for the sale of stamps — Presidency town — Pay of establishments — Voted — Permanent.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. The question of the admission in evidence of unstamped promissory note on payment of a penalty is under the consideration of the Government in connexion with the Taxation Enquiry Committee's recommendation.
7. B. a. STAMPS — Judicial — Charges for the sale of stamps — Total — Voted.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. The Government have decided that it is not advisable at present to reduce the stamp duties.
22. R. A. c. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—Heads of Provinces—Executive Councils and Ministers — Staff and Household of the Governor — Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor — Total — Voted.	100	The reduction has been given effect to. The question of further constitutional reforms — more particularly the grant of provincial autonomy to this Presidency — was raised. As explained by the hon. the Revenue Member at the time, this Government is a subordinate Government and is not responsible for the present constitution and to change it is not within their powers.
22. R. B. a. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—Legislative Bodies—Provincial Legislative Councils—Supplies and Services — Miscellaneous	100	The reduction has been given effect to. The question of the cancellation of the privilege enjoyed by the Members of the Legislative Council of sending letters under the "Service unpaid system" was raised. Orders were issued in G.O. No. 1831 W., dated 29th July 1927, granting non-official members of the Legislative Council certain concessions in this regard.

